The improvement in the job profile of the pilots is a continuous process keeping in view the job specific requirements and operational necessity. Besides, the Short Service Commission for Flying branch has been modified to also make Men eligible for induction in this branch. Further, the implementation of the recommendations of the VIth Central Pay Commission shall also go a long way in attracting youth.

Settlement of pensions of paramilitary forces

2964. SHRI RAJNITI PRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that release of enhanced pension in respect of personnel of Para-military forces is not being done with due diligence;

(b) if so, the reasons for a slow approach to streamline such matters of pension;

(c) the number of cases of re-settlement of pension dues as the award of the Sixth Central Pay Commission are still pending; and

(d) the steps taken by Government for speedy settlement of these pension cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Representation of women in Defence forces

2965. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the representation of women in the three wings of Defence forces is very low;

(b) if so, the present status; and

(c) the measures taken to attract more women candidates for Indian Defence Forces?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) to (c) Women are inducted as officers in the defence forces in specified branches. Women are not inducted as Personnel Below Officer Bank (PBOR). There is no specified sanctioned strength for women officers in Army, Navy and Air Force. Appointment of women officers has been progressively extended to different branches over a period of time. Permanent Commission has been granted prospectively to Short Service Commission Women officers in specified branches/cadres in Army, Navy and Air Force in September, 2008. Measures to improve the intake of officers, including women, in the defence forces are a continuous process.

Capacity of defence factories

2966. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the product-wise rated capacity of defence factories; and

(b) the steps taken to achieve full capacity utilization?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU): (a) Details of the existing production capacity of the major products of Ordnance Factories is given in Statement (*See* below). It may be noted that the actual achievable capacity depends on the product mix required by the armed forces and available manpower in Ordnance Factories. The production capacity given in the enclosure is not the concurrent capacity for all products.

(b) Action has been taken to utilize full capacity including diversification. Ordnance Factories have broadened their customer base to include the requirement of Ministry of Home Affairs, civil market and exports. In some factories, re-organisation of product mix has been done to achieve the capacity utilization.

Statement

Capacity of defence factories

Sl. No.	Item	Unit	Capacity
1	2	3	4
1.	Cartg. 7.62 MM SEQ Belt	Lakh	2,12,00,000
2.	Cartg. 5.56 MM Ball	Lakh	15,00,00,000
3.	RD. 23 MM Schilka AP/T	No.	7,00,000
4.	RD. 23 MM Schilka HE	No.	
5.	SHELL 105 MM BE Smoke	No.	18,000
6.	RD. 30 MM HE/I (For BMP-II)	No.	
7.	RD. 30 MM HE/T (For BMP-II)	No.	4,00,000
8.	RD. 30 MM AP/T (For BMP-II)	No.	
9.	CARTG. 40 MM L-70	No.	1,00,000
10.	RD. 130 MM RVC	No.	80,000
11.	RD. 130 MM FVC	No.	
12.	SHELL 155 MM HE ERFB (BB)	No.	75,000
13.	RD. 125 MM HE	No.	50,000
14.	RD. 125 MM Heat	No.	36,000
15.	RD. 125 MM FSAPDS	No.	36,000

1	2	3	4
16.	Bomb 81 MM Mortar HE	No.	3,50,000
17.	Bomb 81 MM Mortar PWP	No.	1,00,000
18.	Bomb 81 MM Mortar ILLG	No.	30,000
19.	Rocket 84 MM HE	No.	35,000
20.	Rocket 84 MM ILLG	No.	25,000
21.	Grenade No. 36M with detonator	No	8,00,000
22.	Mine A/TK ND 4C/4D	No.	60,000
23.	RD 105 MM TK SH Practice	No.	10,000
24.	Bomb 51 MM ILLG	No.	50,000
25.	Rocket 84 MM TPT	No.	1,00,000
	Weapon		
26.	5.56 MM Rifle with CES	No.	1,05,000
27.	5.56 MMLMG (F/B)	No.	5,800
28.	RL 84 MM MK-3	No.	1,000
29.	105 MM LFG	No.	40
	'B' Vehicle		
30.	LPTA 713/32 2.5 T	No.	3,000
31.	Vehicle 5/7.5 Ton Stallion	No.	4,000
	'A' Vehicle		
32.	Tank T-72 MI/MIK (OE)	No.	120
33.	Tank T-72 MI/MIK (OH)	No.	120
34.	Tank T-90 (OE)	No.	100
35.	MBT Arjun	No.	30
36.	BMP-II (OE)	No.	100
37.	CMT	No.	
	Clothing Items		
38.	Jacket Combat Drill Disr.	No.	4,00,000
39.	Trouser Combat Drill Disr.	No.	4,00,000
40.	Socks Men OG	No.	20,00,000

1	2	3	4
41.	Socks Men wool heavy khaki	No.	
42.	Coat Combat ICK	No.	80,000
43.	Blanket Barrack	No.	4,00,000
44.	Coat Parka Shell outer	No.	1,00,000
45.	Coar Parka Liner Inner	No.	1,00,000
46.	Bag sleeping MK-IV	No.	1,35,000
47.	Shirt Men angola Drab	No.	4,50,000
48.	Trouser serge BD	No.	3,00,000
49.	Jersy woolen V Neek OG	No.	2,50,000
50.	Vest Men FS OG	No.	2,50,000
51.	Boot DVS with Palin Toe	No.	5,00,000
52.	Durry	No.	1,40,000
53.	Net Mosquito Polyster	No.	3,50,000

Note: 1. The capacity of items at Sr No 2, 9, 21, 25, 26, 28, 33 and 46 has been augmented.

2. The capacity of a few items has been de-rated due to wear and tear.

3. The capacity of Sr No 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 are inter-changeable depending on the load/target position.

4. The capacity for Sr No 10, 11, 12, 13, 29, 38, 39, 41, 45, 47, 48 and 49 has been diverted for making store and products.

5. The production capacity/line of T-72 (OE) and T-90 (OE) tanks are common.

High speed rail tracks by China alongwith borders with India

2967. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that China is constructing high speed rail tracks along the borders with India around Laddakh, Sikkim and Arunachal Pradesh for quick movement of troops and artillery;

(b) if so, whether Indian Railways has planned rail links for our defence bases in these States to facilitate quick movement of defence personnel and arsenals in a war situation;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?